



Race Officials Q&A-Service

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Question 1

Is it a violation of Rule 2 if a competitor attempts to slow another boat's progress in a race by covering or limiting its freedom to start, tack or jibe if this behaviour is not aimed at staying ahead of this competitor in a race or a series of races, but instead is purely aimed at skewing the competitor's result for the worse.

Answer 1

Yes.

For the purpose of ISAF Case 78, a race or series is restricted to those races governed by a notice of race as published by the organising authority for the race under consideration.

Question 2

If the answer to the above question is negative (no violation of rule 2), does that mean that any motivation, may it be fear, hate, anger, greed or revenge (to name but a few) are considered to be within "recognized principles of sportsmanship"? In other words: could one team sail down another team for fun or for revenge at any regatta, as often as it likes?

Answer 2

Not applicable.

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